AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1.-40. (Cancelled)

41. (Currently Amended) A communication method of a host device connected to a printer, comprising:

    sending, to the printer, a command relating to an object identifier request;

    receiving, from the printer in response to the command relating to the object identifier request, information corresponding to a number of the printer's usable object identifiers;

    sending, to the printer, a first print setting information and object identifiers corresponding to the number of printer's usable object identifiers, wherein each of the object identifiers is associated with one of a plurality of print objects;

    receiving from the printer, a data request for each of the plurality of print objects using the object identifiers; and

    sending, to the printer, the print object data [[from]] for each of the plurality of print objects.

42. (Previously Presented) The communication method according to claim 41, comprising:

    obtaining characteristic information of said printer;

    preparing first print setting information by the host device based on said obtained characteristic information; and

    sending said prepared first print setting information to said printer.

43. (Currently Amended) A host device connected to a printer, comprising:

      a communication interface to communicate data with the printer, wherein the communication interface includes functionality to:

    send, to the printer, a command relating to an object identifier request;

    receive, from the printer in response to the command relating to the object identifier request, information corresponding to a number of printer's usable object identifiers;

    send, to the printer, a first print setting information and the object identifiers corresponding to the number of printer's usable object identifiers, wherein each of the object identifiers is associated with one of a plurality of print objects;

    receive, from the printer, a data request for each of the plurality of print objects using the object identifiers; and

    send, to the printer, the print object data [[from]] <u>for</u> each of the plurality of print objects.

44. (New) A communication method of a digital camera connected to a printer, comprising:

    sending a request command to the printer;

    receiving information corresponding to a number of the printer's usable object identifiers from the printer in response to the request command;

    sending, to the printer, the print object data for each of the plurality of print objects; and

    printing the plurality of print objects using the print object data for each of the plurality of print objects and the first setting information.

45. (New) A host device connected to a printer, comprising:

a communication interface to communicate data with the printer, wherein the communication interface includes functionality to:

send a request command to the printer;

receive information corresponding to a number of the printer's usable object identifiers from the printer in response to the request command; and

send, to the printer, the print object data for each of the plurality of print objects, wherein the plurality of print objects is printed using the print object data for each of the plurality of print objects and the first setting information.